(b) The allocation of rice to Tamil Nadu has been increased from 50,000 tonnes to 65,000 tonnes in October, 1988 and to 80,000 tonnes in November, 1988.

(c) In Tamil Nadu, the State Civil Supplies Corporation is responsible for the procurement of rice/paddy in the State. The Food Corporation of India is not procuring any rice in the State. During 1987-88 marketing season, a quantity of 5.64 lakh tonnes of rice (including paddy in terms of rice) has been procured by the Tamil Nadu Civil Supplies Corporation.

Increase in milk production

306. SHRI RAM AWADHESH SINGH: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that despite a drought year, milk production has gone up by 6 per cent last year under Milk Technology Mission, as reported in the Times of India of the 10th October, 1988;

(b) whether in view of good rains this year, milk production is likely to increase by over 10 per cent; and

(c) whether Government have made enough arrangements for increased milk dairying capacity and for location of suitable markets abroad for exports of various value added products like Paneer, Chhena, Srikhand, Dahi specially Ice creams, as is being done for fruits, vegetables, fish and animal products?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHYAM LAL YADAV): (a) No, Sir. The milk production in the country is tentatively estimated to have increased by 3.8 per cent during 1987-88.

(b) No, Sir. Keeping in view the target set for 1988-89 at 48.04 million tonnes, the projected increase will be around 4.2 per cent.

(c) It is targetted to expand dairy processing capacity under Operation Flood from 126 lakh litres of milk per day in 1987-88 to 156 lakhs litres per day in 1988-89. There is no proposal to export various dairy products at present.

Problem of urban transportation

307. SHRI RAM AWADHESH SINGH: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news item which appeared in the Indian Express dated the 17th October, 1988 to the effect that one of the most difficult parts of urban life is tiredness due to long distances from place of work and poor transportation system in Metro and other large urban centres; and

(b) if so, what is Government's reaction thereto and in what manner Government propose to tackle the problem?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir. The news item refers to the recommendations about urban transport contained in the report of the National Commission on Urbanisation.

(b) It is proposed to draw up action plans for urban transport in consultation with concerned State and Central Government agencies.

Sale of excess land by M/s. Narayanswamy & Sons in Bangalore

308. SHRI SUBRAMANIAN SWAMY: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Karnataka Government and other State Governments were issued guidelines for the